Judge Julia L. Garratt

Judge Garratt was appointed to the King County Superior Court bench on July 23, 2013, by Governor Jay Inslee. She subsequently assumed the position previously occupied by Judge Patricia Clark, who retired from the bench in August of that year.

Judge Garratt graduated from the University of Washington in 1975, with a Bachelor's Degree in Society and Justice, and from Gonzaga School of Law in 1979. Judge Garratt spent the next 14 years as a deputy prosecuting attorney in Snohomish County and as a public defender at the Associated Counsel for the Accused. In 1994 Governor Lowry appointed her to the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (formerly Board of Prison Terms and Parole), a position to which she was reappointed by Governors Locke and Gregoire. In this capacity she monitored and made release decisions for some of Washington's most violent and dangerous criminals. In 2001, the Board's role was expanded to include management of all sex offenders sentenced to prison.

In 1998, Judge Garratt began working regularly in King County Superior Court as a Judge Pro Tem. In 2008 she was appointed as a Superior Court Commissioner, working primarily in Juvenile Court.